

New Resource Available: National Geographic Kids Database!

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Hi Folks,

I wanted to make you aware that the elementary librarians purchased a subscription to an exciting new resource, the National Geographic Kids database. You should be able to access it directly from this link: <http://natgeo.galegroup.com/natgeo/archive/?u=shak70339&p=NGMK>

It can now also be found in the list of information/databases on the Library Resource page on our website.

This database includes videos, pictures, e-books (meaning they can be immediately viewed in your browser), and an archived collection of their popular kids magazine.

The search tool allows you to enter a topic, just as you would in Google, and be shown all the resources available, separated by type (pictures, magazine articles, etc.). Or you can use the "advanced search" to specify which types of resources you are looking for (videos, books, etc.) All of the entries have a listening option available, albeit it's not the most exciting narration. Citations are also available for all entries.

I think you will find the 250+ e-books to be an incredible tool covering a wide range of topics. NGK does a great job with the way they design their non-fiction books to clearly present information to complement the high-quality images. The magazine articles are a great way for students to learn about specific topics, or for allowing them to explore on their own. Both the books and magazine articles are fantastic tools for teaching text elements.

Please let me know if you have any questions, I would be glad to give you a demonstration or help you find specific topics and resources within this database.

Best,

Rob

P.S. If you ever want to access this database remotely (even going through the Shaker page), you may be prompted for a remote password, which should be: remote

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